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Exemption No. 11680A  
Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2015-0716

Mr. Enrique García Melchor  
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Dear Mr. Melchor:

This letter is to inform you that we have granted your petition for an amendment. It explains the basis for our decision, describes its effect, and lists any changes to the original conditions and limitations.

By letter posted to the public docket on June 23, 2015, you petitioned the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on behalf of EGM100x35 Aerial Solutions (hereinafter petitioner or operator) for an amendment to your current exemption. That exemption from §§ 61.23(a) and (c), 61.101(e)(4) and (5), 61.113(a), 61.315(a), 91.7(a), 91.119(c), 91.121, 91.151(a)(1), 91.405(a), 91.407(a)(1), 91.409(a)(1) and (2), and 91.417(a) and (b) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) allows the petitioner to operate a UAS to perform aerial data collection. You requested an amendment to add the DJI Inspire 1.

In your petition, you indicate that there has been no change in the conditions and reasons relative to public interest and safety that were the basis for granting the original exemption.

The FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the Federal Register because the requested amendment to the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to the petitioner. The unmanned aircraft authorized in the original grant are comparable in type, size, weight, speed and operating capabilities to those in this petition.

### **Airworthiness Certification**

In accordance with the statutory criteria provided in Section 333 of Public Law 112-95 in reference to 49 U.S.C. § 44704, and in consideration of the size, weight, speed, and limited operating area associated with the aircraft and its operation, the Secretary of Transportation has determined that this aircraft meets the conditions of Section 333. Therefore, the FAA

finds that relief from 14 CFR part 21, *Certification procedures for products and parts, Subpart H—Airworthiness Certificates*, and any associated noise certification and testing requirements of part 36, is not necessary.

### **Our Decision**

The FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 11680 remains valid and is in the public interest. Therefore, under the authority contained in 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 40113, and 44701, delegated to me by the Administrator, the operator is granted an amendment to add new aircraft to its UAS operations.

The operator shall add this amendment to its original exemption.

### **Conditions and Limitations**

All conditions and limitations within Grant of Exemption No. 11680 remain in effect except as follows. Condition No. 1 has been updated to reflect the additional aircraft.

Failure to comply with any of the conditions and limitations of this grant of exemption will be grounds for the immediate suspension or rescission of this exemption.

1. Operations authorized by this grant of exemption are limited to the DJI Phantom 2 and DJI Inspire 1 when weighing less than 55 pounds including payload. Proposed operations of any other aircraft will require a new petition or a petition to amend this exemption.

This exemption terminates on May 31, 2017, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

Sincerely,

/s/

John S. Duncan

Director, Flight Standards Service

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EGM100x35 Aerial Solutions wishes to add on given Exemption the UASs Inspire 1 manufactured by DJI, a well-known leader in quad copter technology. DJI strives to bring new perspectives to aerial work and help companies accomplish feats safer, faster, and with greater efficiency. They have an unparalleled commitment to quality and safety, a culture of constant innovation, and a focus on transforming complex technology into easy-to-use devices. Attached: safety guidelines, maintenance manual, Aircraft affidavit of ownership and Aircraft DOT\_FAA Registration Form.

### Attachments (4)

#### EGM100x35 Aerial Solutions - Aircraft Affidavit of Ownership

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#### EGM100x35 Aerial Solutions - Aircraft DOT FAA Registration

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#### EGM100x35 Aerial Solutions - Inspire 1 Maintenance Manual v1.0

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